## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims reflects all claim amendments and replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application (material to be inserted is in **bold and underline**, and material to be deleted is in **strikeout** or (if the deletion is of five or fewer consecutive characters or would be difficult to see) in double brackets [[ ]].

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (original) A pump system comprising

an aircraft having an underside,

a tank onboard the aircraft for containing fluid,

a substantially rigid tube member, connected to the aircraft in communication with the tank, wherein the tube member is movable to a downward orientation for accessing a fluid source below the aircraft, and

wherein the tube member is directed rearward relative to the aircraft when the tube member is in the downward orientation.

 (currently amended) A method of loading water onto an aircraft comprising pumping fluid from a source through a <u>substantially rigid</u> tube member onto a tank on an aircraft, while the aircraft moves over the source, and

directing the tube member rearward relative to the aircraft's direction of travel.

3. (currently amended) A method of loading water onto an aircraft comprising

pumping fluid from a source through a <u>substantially rigid</u> tube member onto a tank on an aircraft, while the aircraft moves over the source,

directing the tube member rearward relative to the aircraft's direction of travel, and

further comprising the step of directing the tube member rearward relative to the aircraft's direction of travel.

4. (cancelled)